

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 630
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Military Order of the
Purple Heart, Memphis Belle Chapter No. 484
for their courageous service in the United States
Armed Forces.

WHEREAS, our country was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their
personal safety and concerns to ensure this nation's freedom, and the Volunteer State is
especially proud to have so many valiant men and women who have performed above and
beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans have continued this time-honored tradition of
volunteerism through service in the United States armed forces; and

WHEREAS, in 1782, the Badge of Distinction/Badge of Military Merit, known today as
the Purple Heart, was established by General George Washington at Newburgh-on-Hudson;
and

WHEREAS, from that time forward, countless Americans have been wounded in combat
by bravely defending our nation against armed enemies. Because of the nature of these
injuries, the recipients of the Purple Heart bear their battle wounds for life; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Memphis Belle Chapter No. 484 of the Military Order of
the Purple Heart served with exceptional courage and gallantry and deserve proper recognition
for their heroism, both in war and in society today; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Memphis Belle, Chapter No. 484 served with great
bravery and ability both in World War II and the Korean War; and

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WHEREAS it is most fitting that the members of this General Assembly should honor and recognize the bravery and devotion of this special group of veterans and their outstanding contributions to our national security and prosperity; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend the Memphis Belle Chapter No. 484 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart for their meritorious service to our nation in the United States armed forces and offer our thanks for a difficult job well done.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.